

SHONTS SAYS CITY OFFICERS OPPOSED TO SUBWAY PLAN DON'T GET "OBLIGATIONS"

Neither, So Far as He Knows,
Did Morgan Participate
in Them.

HIS VISIT TO GAYNOR.

His Memory Refreshed, but
There Are a Lot of Things
He Can't Recall.

President Theodore P. Shonts of the Interborough was on the stand again today at the investigation of the Thompson Committee into the Public Service Commission. Mr. Shonts entered the room followed by his counsel, John B. Stanchfield, and De Laneoy Noll. He smiled and shook hands with Senator Thompson as he took the witness chair.

Counsel Frank Moss asked Mr. Shonts whether there were any "commitments and obligations" in the \$500,000 which went to Mr. Morgan.

"Not beyond what was in the contract," he replied.

Q. Were there any commitments and obligations in the money that went to Morgan? A. How do you mean? No. There was none.

Q. Were there any "commitments and obligations" to any members of the City Government who were first opposed to your scheme and afterward came over? A. No. None that I know of.

Q. Or that you have heard of? A. No. None.

Q. You have a poor memory, haven't you? A. No. My memory is poor for names but good for facts and figures.

Q. Do you remember Mirabeau L. Towns? A. Yes.

Mr. Moss read Mr. Shonts's previous testimony that he couldn't remember Mr. Towns.

"What Towns, Mirabeau L. Towns, Oh, Lord, I meet so many people I

can't remember. I'll have to look it up."

Mr. Shonts leaned far forward and stared hard as Mr. Moss read his testimony that he remembered little or nothing about Towns and why \$50,000 was paid to him.

Mr. Moss emphasized Mr. Shonts's testimony that he couldn't remember anything else he had paid Towns \$50,000 for than to take him to meet the late Mayor Gaynor, who "had been saying unpleasant things about me."

Mr. Shonts nodded as he heard his words read. Mr. Moss emphasized the following:

Q. Do you remember anything else Mr. Towns did? A. No. And I didn't remember that till you asked me.

Mr. Moss resumed questioning.

MEMORY REFRESHED OVER MEETING WITH TOWNS.

Q. Is that your memory now? A. No. Because my memory has since been refreshed. I have seen some data. I have received a communication in which I am reminded that the time Mr. Towns met me was after Mayor Gaynor was elected on a platform of city construction of the new subway; and that he called at my office and told me he believed he could convince the Mayor that it was not to the best interest of the city to build the new lines.

Q. (By Senator Thompson). Do you say you received a communication from Mr. Towns? A. From Mr. Towns or Mr. Groat.

Belaney Noll—Don't you remember it was a letter from Mr. Groat? I showed it to you.

Mr. Shonts—Oh, yes, it was Mr. Groat who wrote me that letter.

Mr. Shonts said he had met Mayor Gaynor when he called to pay his respects the day he was inaugurated. He introduced himself to the Mayor.

Q. Mayor Gaynor was expecting you that day you called on him at St. James? A. Yes, I think he did.

Q. It had been arranged, hadn't it? A. Yes, I believe so.

Q. Did you stop on the way after picking up Mr. Towns? A. At Mr. Hawley's house at Babylon. He was a member of the firm of Hawley & Davis.

Q. What did you tell Mr. Hawley? A. That I was going to call on the Mayor and talk to him about the platform he was elected on—to build the subway.

Q. Did you get Mr. Hawley's advice as to what you should say to the Mayor? A. If he was a director of the Interborough, as he was later, I probably did ask his advice.

Q. What other directors did you confer with? Mr. Freedman (answered). A. I might have. I suppose I did.

Q. That's why I'm asking you about Mr. Freedman's name. I want to know. A. If you want me to tell everything for forty years of busy—Senator Thompson (interrupted). You agreed with me before that this was one of the most important visits of your life. Can't you remember?

Q. How did Mr. Hawley's name slip your memory when Mr. Kelly questioned you before in his comfortable way? A. I don't know. I just remembered it now.

CAN'T REMEMBER HIS TALK WITH HAWLEY.

Q. You went twenty-five miles out of your way to see Mr. Hawley. Don't you remember what you said to him? A. No.

Q. Did you talk to him about money? A. No.

Q. Did you talk with Mr. Freedman about what you should say to Mayor Gaynor? A. I don't think so. I don't think Mr. Freedman and the Mayor were good friends.

Q. Was it on that visit that the Mayor experienced a change of heart about building the subway? A. No. It was not until some time afterwards.

M'QUISTON WINS A POINT.

ALBANY, March 8.—Attempts of Assemblyman M'Quiston of Brooklyn to obtain an investigation of the expenses of the Panama-Pacific Exposition Commission was blocked again today in the Assembly, but he obtained a ruling from Speaker Sweet under which he hopes to be able to bring the matter before the House for consideration next week. The Assemblyman was quoted as saying that the investigation of the expenses of the Exposition Commission was the subject of a resolution which he introduced yesterday. He threatened to suspend the rules so that the resolution might be presented. M'Quiston also introduced two bills, one for an investigation of the expenses of the Exposition Commission and the other of the Legislative committee's expenditure.

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INGREDIENTS OF THE AIR COCKTAIL

The Bartenders' Guide fails to give the ingredients of Dr. Howard's air cocktail, an omission supplied by the Encyclopedia Britannica. In parts of 10,000 it is as follows:

Oxygen	2065.940	Ozone	0.013
Nitrogen	7771.000	Acetic acid	140.000
Argon	936.000	Nitric acid	0.000
Carbon dioxide	3.380	Ammonia	0.002

Stir up thoroughly by taking a ten-block walk and inhale deep draughts by the lungful.

By Nizola Greeley-Smith.

Have a cocktail with Dr. William Lee Howard. If you follow Dr. Howard's advice you will take several cocktails with him every day.



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What Dr. Howard prescribes for you is a cocktail of fresh air, for this physician believes that correct breathing is the sole secret of health, beauty and all other desirable things from which so many members of the human family have been disinherited.

The doctor, who lives at 108 West 10th, Westboro, Mass., has just published a very interesting book which embodies his principles of correct breathing. It is called "Breathe and Be Well," in which is summarized a sort of Rubaiyat of the lungs.

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Before Dr. Howard studied medicine and moved to Massachusetts to practice and write books he was a newspaper correspondent in Africa and in the Sudan War. He believes that the man or woman of middle size and developed lung power is the strongest type of the race.

He himself is about five feet seven inches tall, and weighs a mere 140 pounds. He has a chest measurement of 42 inches and a waist measurement of 34 inches—most unusual measurements for a man fifty-five years old whose neighbors say that he "could carry a house on his back."

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You can see his big chest contract with the effort. He does not take a deep breath after that, but there is literally no such thing. Everywhere the air contains germs. In midtown where it is best, there are six microbes to every cubic foot. In New York there must be about 80,000 to every foot. There is a man or woman living who does not daily breathe in disease germs. The germs of consumption, of pneumonia, for example, are ever floating about. Those who escape are lucky—the great majority die. But there comes a time when the strongest are infected. There is only one way to avoid this fatal time: Keeping the air passages clear and clean and never leaving over in the lungs any unburnt material.

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HAD NO AGREEMENT WITH RAE TANZER, SAYS MARSHALL

U. S. District Attorney Contradicts and Denies His Alleged Testimony.

A statement contradicting and denying the testimony said to have been given in Washington on Wednesday by Miss Rae Tanzer, a witness before the Sub-Committee of the House of Representatives to the effect that she was promised immunity for

swearing that she was mistaken when she identified James W. Osborne as "Oliver Osborne," was today given out for publication by United States District Attorney H. Snowden Marshall. The statement reads:

"I have observed in the morning papers a statement that in the recent session of the sub-committee of the Judiciary Committee, held in Washington yesterday, there was testimony to the effect that Rae Tanzer had made, or her lawyer had made, an agreement with my office that the prosecution against her would be dropped if she would make a statement to the effect that James W. Osborne was not the man who had promised to marry her."

"I also observed in the public print that the sub-committee is said to have stated that they were anxious to see the agreement made between my office and this woman. The only agreement that was ever made between my office and this woman was a statement by her that she was mistaken when she identified James W. Osborne as 'Oliver Osborne,' and is as follows:

"Waiver of Immunity.—The interview which I had to have today, and any further interviews which I may have with the United States District Attorney, are at my request, and not at the request of the United States District Attorney."

"I intend to make a full, free and unreserved statement of facts, and I consent that anything which I say may be used in any way by the United States authorities. A statement of facts is not a promise of immunity."

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GERMANY'S LOSSES BEFORE VERDUN NOT AS FRENCH REPORT SEEN BY TRAWLERS

Comparatively Few Graves Seen in the Territory Already Taken.

STORMING OF FRESNES.

Fortress Outpost Had to Be Taken Before Advance Was Made.

METZ, March 7. (Via Berlin and London, March 8).—Judging from close observation of the fields of recent battles on the east and north-east sections of the Verdun front, the Associated Press correspondent does not reason to question declarations of officers from German headquarters and from reports received by the German press in these operations, and particularly in storming Fort Donnemont, were by no means high.

In the advance across the Woivre Plain toward the foothills of the fortress the losses seem to have been almost insignificant. Very few graves, either French or German, were seen around Metz, Maunort, Fromery, Brain and other points over which the Germans swept in pursuit of the retreating French.

Reports from British and French sources have differed on the enormous price the Germans paid for Fort Donnemont, but they are not borne out by the correspondent's observations. The number of graves noted in the sections of ground over which the attack passed was remarkably few in comparison, for example, with those seen by the correspondent at corresponding points on the Soissons battlefields a year earlier. This doubtless may be attributed to the unprecedently intense artillery fire, which fairly smothered the defense.

German operations around Verdun at this time are being confined largely to attempts to improve the positions on the flanks and to press closer to the fortress girdle at individual points on the north and the south-east. In attacks of this nature German infantry successfully stormed the villages of Forges and Fresnes.

Fresnes is a fairly extensive village lying about a mile and a half from the foot of the Lorraine hills and about twelve miles southeast of Verdun, on the main highway to Toul. It is a junction point of several other important roads. Like other villages along the foot of the hills, Fresnes is built solidly of stone and constituted a veritable fortress, which had to be carried before the advance could be made to the foot of the slopes.

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